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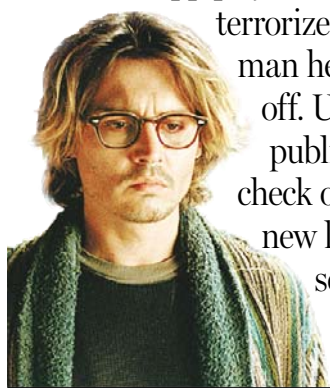


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ENTERTAINMENT

Johnny in a Spot: In *Secret Window*, Depp plays a writer terrorized by a man he ripped off. Ungrateful public! Also, check out our new listings section.



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Madrid Blasts Kill 192



Group with ties to al Qaeda claims series of train bombs

MADRID, SPAIN | Ten bombs hidden in backpacks exploded in quick succession Thursday, blowing apart four commuter trains and killing at least 192 people. More than 1,200 were wounded. Spain blamed Basque separatists for the attack, but a shadowy group claimed responsibility in the name of al Qaeda.

Panicked commuters trampled on each other, abandoning their bags and shoes, after two of the bombs went off in one train in the Atocha station in the heart of Madrid. Train cars were turned into twisted wrecks and platforms were strewn with corpses.

"March 11, 2004, now holds its place in the history of infamy," Prime Minister Jose Maria Aznar said. It was the worst terror attack in Spanish history.

The attack came three days ahead of Spain's general election. A major campaign issue was how to deal with ETA, the Basque militant group. Campaigning was called off and three days of mourning were declared.

It was also exactly 2½ years after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks in the United States, and was Europe's worst since the 1988 bombing of a Pan Am jetliner over Lockerbie, Scotland, that killed 270 people. **MAR ROMAN (AP)**

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"INFAMY": Firefighters carry a body from a bombed passenger train in Madrid on Thursday, left; thousands lit candles at a vigil in Barcelona, as Spain declared three days of national mourning.

CRIME | Trail of Crumbs The string of charges involved meth, trespassing and fraud, but it was the snatching of Hostess Ho Hos and Crumb Cakes that did the suspect in. Robert Lee McKiernan, 35, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, was arrested Tuesday after deputies found the stolen snack

cakes in his car along with materials used to make methamphetamines, the sheriff's office said. The snacks apparently had been swiped from a barn at an Amish farm near Hazelton, in northeast Iowa. Police stopped the car about 2 miles from the farm. **(AP) EyeOpeners** | Page 2

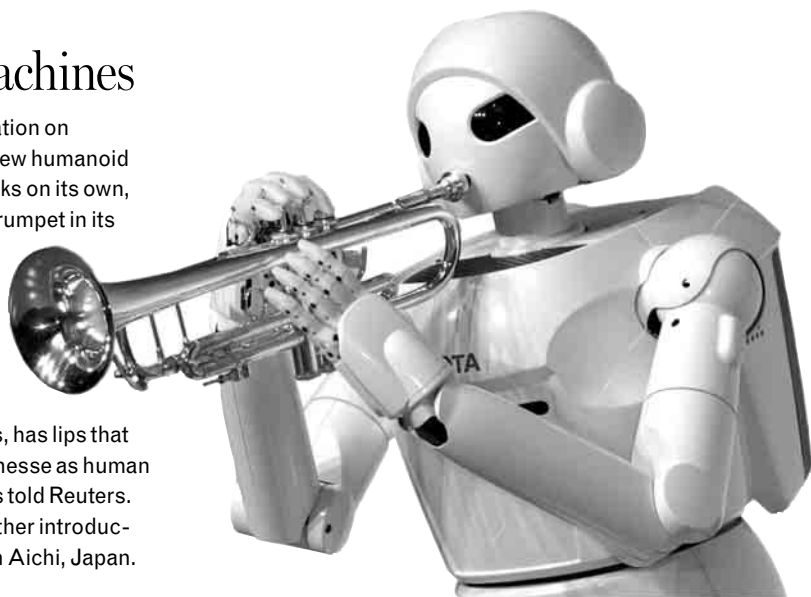
EyeOpeners

TECHNOLOGY

Musical Machines

Toyota Motor Corporation on Thursday unveiled a new humanoid robot that not only walks on its own, but also puffs on the trumpet in its spare time. The 4-foot-tall, 78-pound robot, developed as part of a project to create partner robots to serve as personal assistants for humans, has lips that move with the same finesse as human lips, company officials told Reuters. The robot will get another introduction at the Expo 2005 in Aichi, Japan.

(EXPRESS)



ERIKO SUGITA/REUTERS

BIRDS AND BEES

Officials: Get Frisky!

Singapore's sperm banks are almost completely empty, with only five men agreeing to donate last year, it was reported Wednesday. And no women

gave up their eggs in 2003. The lack of donors has forced infertile couples to wait at least two years for either a sperm or egg donation, state-owned Channel NewsAsia said on its Web site. The Singapore government is

debating ways it can help encourage its population of 4 million to procreate after recording its lowest-ever birth rate last year, with just 37,633 babies born — far below the 50,000 a year the government is targeting. (AP)

ANIMAL WATCH

No Pawing the Pooch

All Tamar Sherman wanted to do was pet a dog and give it some water. Her act left her with a criminal record. A few months ago, Sherman was walking near her South San Jose, Calif., home and encountered a dog left outside while its owners were inside. She decided to pet the dog on a few occasions and once gave it water — a move that didn't please the dog's owner. She was charged with trespassing and prowling and sentenced to a year of probation and 75 hours of community service. (AP)

NIGHTLIFE

Sit for a Spell

A bar owner in Sydney, Australia, has expelled a group of drinkers after accusing them of casting spells in his pub. "They talk about casting spells and they brought with them, I believe, a small cauldron. I think they behaved as though they are witches," Tony Green, owner of the Greenwood Hotel, told the Sydney Morning Herald. Green was referring to PaganPages, a group that met at his pub to discuss rituals and other Pagan-related topics until he asked them to leave in January. (AP)

HEALTH

A Little Too Clean

Two North Carolina fast-food restaurant employees who bathed in a dishwashing sink took cleanliness a bit too far, but didn't pose a health threat, health officials said. The caper came to light because of photographs of the men taking turns posing,

in bathing suits, in a large sink full of bubbles, said Barry Bass, director of the Davie County Health Department. "From a public-health standpoint, you want the employees to be clean," said Bass, adding that the Wendy's employees may have overdone it. (AP)



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In Brief

WASHINGTON

Government Orders Halt To Andro Supplement Sales

The government ordered an end to sales of the steroid-like supplement andro, made famous by baseball's Mark McGwire, in the latest crack-down on over-the-counter pills that claim to help people get in better shape. Andro, short for androstenedione, is a steroid precursor — the body converts it into testosterone, and, to some extent, estrogen. The Food and Drug Administration said the drug carries the risk of heart and liver damage. (AP)

MCALISTER, OKLA.

Jury Seated in Trial of Okla. City Bombing Suspect

After nine days of questioning, a jury of 12 was seated Thursday for the trial of Oklahoma City bombing conspirator Terry Nichols on murder charges that could bring the death penalty. Opening statements are set for March 22. The state murder charges are for the 160 others and one victim's fetus. (AP)



Nichols

ROME, GA.

\$40M Settlement Reached In Crematory Fraud Case

The families of more than 300 people whose bodies were found strewn across the grounds of a Georgia crematory will receive nearly \$40 million in a settlement announced Thursday with the business and 58 funeral homes across the South. The bodies were discovered in 2002. (AP)

States Deal Setbacks to Gay Marriage

Mass. officials mull amendment, Calif. court ends ceremonies

BOSTON | Massachusetts lawmakers gave preliminary approval Thursday to a constitutional amendment that would ban gay marriage but allow civil unions.

The amendment, which would strip gay couples of their court-granted marriage rights, must still weather several additional votes and anticipated maneuvering by opponents.

The earliest a ban could end up on a statewide ballot is November 2006, more than two years after same-sex couples can start getting married in Massachusetts.

Under a landmark high court decision issued in November and reaffirmed in February, gay marriage will become legal in Massachusetts on May 17.

Meanwhile, California's Supreme Court on Thursday halted gay marriages in San Francisco and said it would consider the legality of the ceremonies at a later date.



BOTH SIDES: Supporters and opponents of the same-sex marriage amendment to the Massachusetts constitution clash outside the Statehouse in Boston on Thursday. Hundreds of demonstrators stood outside as legislators discussed the issue.

The dispute there began Feb. 12, when Mayor Gavin Newsom ordered his administration to issue same-sex marriage licenses. A steady stream of gay couples from around the coun-

try have traveled to be married at City Hall, just a block from the Supreme Court. More than 3,700 couples have tied the knot in San Francisco so far.

The justices ruled unanimously that Newsom must "refrain from issuing marriage licenses or certificates not authorized" by California law.

JENNIFER PETER (AP)

HEARSAY | RESOLUTE

"I have no intention whatsoever of apologizing for my remarks."

—SEN. JOHN KERRY
REFERRING TO REPUBLICAN DEMANDS THAT HE APOLOGIZE FOR CALLING HIS GOP CRITICS "THE MOST CROOKED, YOU KNOW, LYING GROUP I'VE EVER SEEN." REPUBLICANS SCOLDED KERRY FOR THE COMMENT.

House OKs Indecency Penalty Hike

WASHINGTON | The House overwhelmingly passed legislation Thursday substantially increasing the maximum fine for radio and TV indecency.

The vote was 391-22. Similar legislation is pending in the Senate.

The bill would raise the maxi-

mum fine for a broadcast licensee from \$27,500 to \$500,000. The fine for a performer would jump from \$11,000 to \$500,000.

The Bush administration strongly endorsed the bill in a memo to lawmakers Thursday.

Critics said the legislation would undermine free speech rights.

The Senate also has a bill that would raise fines to \$500,000.

However, that measure goes further, ordering the FCC to look at ways to protect children from violence on television and putting on hold sweeping media ownership changes adopted by the FCC last year. JONATHAN D. SALANT (AP)



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Nation

Bush Unveils Anti-Kerry Ads

TV spots say Democrat wants to raise taxes, would hamper defense

WASHINGTON | President Bush unleashed the first negative ads of the general election campaign Thursday, accusing Democratic rival John Kerry of seeking to raise taxes by \$900 billion and wanting to "delay defending America."

"John Kerry: Wrong on taxes. Wrong on defense," says an announcer in a new 30-second ad that will begin airing in battleground states.

Kerry's campaign, calling the

\$900 billion figure "completely made up," prepared a response ad titled, "Misleading America" that would accuse Bush by name of distorting the Democrat's record, officials said on condition of anonymity.

A second Bush ad tells voters they face choices on the economy, health care and the war on terrorism.

"We can go forward with confidence, resolve and hope. Or we can turn back to the dangerous illusions that terrorists are not plotting and outlaw regimes are no threat," Bush says in the second ad, without mentioning Kerry by name.

The Bush ads, unveiled by the

campaign Thursday, will begin airing in some 18 states Friday. Meeting with congressional Democrats on Capitol Hill, Kerry dismissed the ads, saying they "have nothing to do with health care for Americans, nothing to do with jobs for Americans, nothing to do with education for our kids, nothing to do with cleaner air or cleaner water, nothing to do with making America safer in this world. They can't talk about those things because George Bush doesn't have a record to run on, he has a record to run away from, and that's what they're trying to do."

RON FOURNIER (AP)

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MODELS | TRAIN OF THOUGHT



DETAIL WORK: Bill Sherman places an N-scale model train on a track Thursday at the Coastal Carolina Railroaders clubhouse in New Bern, N.C., Thursday. The club will be hosting Train Show 2004 at New Bern High School over the weekend, featuring seven full-model layouts.

Woman Charged in Stillborn Death Case

SALT LAKE CITY | A pregnant woman who allegedly ignored medical warnings to have a Caesarean section to save her twins was charged Thursday with murder after one of the babies was stillborn.

Prosecutors said Melissa Ann Rowland, 28, didn't want the scars that accompany the surgery.

An autopsy found that the baby died two days before its Jan. 13 delivery and that it would have survived if Rowland had had a C-section when her doctors urged her

to, between Christmas and Jan. 9. The other baby is alive, but authorities had no further information on its condition.

The doctors had warned that without a C-section, the twins would probably die, authorities said. A nurse told police that Rowland said a Caesarean would "ruin her life" and she would rather "lose one of the babies than be cut like that." The charges carry five years to life in prison. She was jailed on \$250,000 bail. ALEXANDRIA SAGE (AP)

Pentagon to Host Desert Robot Race

Unmanned-vehicle competition Saturday boasts \$1 million prize

WASHINGTON | Think of it as a government-sponsored science fair with a tad more than a blue ribbon at stake.

The Pentagon is putting up a \$1 million prize for any team that can build a robotic vehicle capable of navigating a tough desert course in under 10 hours on Saturday without any form of human guidance. But teams competing in the "Grand Challenge" this week are also on the hunt for potentially huge government contracts tied to high-tech innovations in autonomous vehicle design.

Held in California's Mojave Desert, the competition has tempted amateur techie and engineering squads as well as teams backed by major government contracting players, including Boeing, Raytheon and Northrop Grumman.

The contest is the brainchild of the Pentagon's research arm, the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, and the teams competing this weekend all are hoping to catch the eyes of military experts.

CYNTHIA L. WEBB (WASHINGTONPOST.COM)

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World

Workers Possibly Killed by Police

U.S. general says Iraqi assailants in uniform might not be impostors

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | U.S. officials are worried that Iraqi police — not just impostors in Iraqi uniforms — may have been behind the killings of two coalition staffers and their translator, the top American general in Iraq said Thursday.

"We are very concerned about it," said Lt. Gen. Ricardo Sanchez. "We know that this has gone on ... that there are some policemen that have done criminal acts in the past."

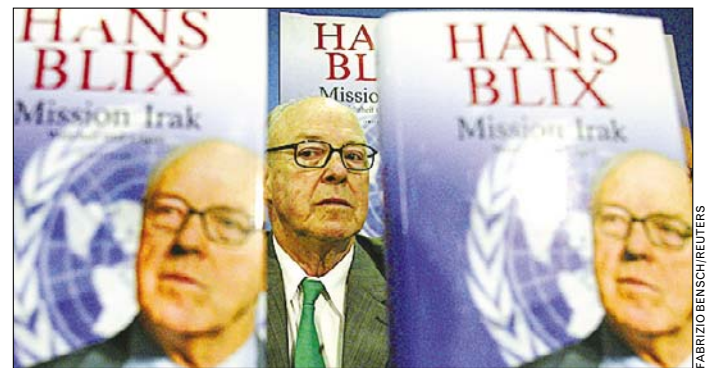
The three were the first civilians from the U.S. occupation authority killed in Iraq. Officials have not released their names, but relatives identified one of them as 33-year-

old Fern Holland, a human rights expert from Oklahoma who worked on women's issues in the Hillah region where she was killed.

"If I die, know that I'm doing precisely what I want to be doing," Holland wrote in an e-mail to a friend on Jan. 21. She met often with Iraqi women around Hillah and communicated their needs to Iraq's Governing Council, said one of her colleagues, Judy Van Rest.

The Americans and their Iraqi translator were driving near Hillah, 35 miles south of Baghdad, when they were stopped at a checkpoint and killed by gunmen. The attackers took their car, their bodies still inside, according to the Polish military, which patrols the area. Polish troops stopped the car and arrested the five Iraqis inside. LEE KEATH (AP)

GERMANY | MEDIA BLIX



VIEW FROM INSIDE: Former U.N. chief weapons inspector Hans Blix attends an event in Berlin Thursday for the launch of his book "Disarming Iraq," his account of what happened in the months leading up to the war.

Putin Tries to Rally Voters in Last Push

MOSCOW | Three days before the election he is set to win easily, President Vladimir Putin went on national television Thursday to urge voters to turn out.

At least 50 percent of voters must cast ballots to make Sunday's vote valid. The Kremlin reportedly has been concerned that a low turnout could embarrass Putin.

"Only your support can make the future president of Russia feel

confident," Putin said.

Some leading liberals have called for boycotting the vote, saying the Kremlin has all but orchestrated Putin's return to power. He has refused to take part in campaign debates with other candidates, but received lavish coverage of his daily official functions by two state television networks.

Nonetheless, most observers say the turnout will exceed the required 50 percent. (AP)

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New Clues Point to al Qaeda

ETA blamed at first, but Spanish officials to check other possibilities

MADRID | Who carried out the highly coordinated attacks on Madrid commuter trains Thursday was a mystery. The government put the Basque separatist group ETA at the top of its list of suspects, although a shadowy group claimed responsibility in the name of al Qaeda.

The Arabic newspaper Al-Quds al-Arabi said it had received a claim of responsibility issued in the name of al Qaeda. The e-mail claim, signed by the shadowy Brigade of Abu Hafs al-Masri, was received at the newspaper's London offices and said the brigade's "death squad" had penetrated "one of the pillars of the crusade alliance, Spain."

Spain had backed the U.S.-led war in Iraq and many al Qaeda-

linked terrorists have been captured in Spain or were believed to have operated from there.

U.S. officials say the group sometimes falsely claims to be acting on behalf of al Qaeda, however. The group took credit for blackouts in the United States and London last year. A U.S. counterterrorism official, speaking on condition of anonymity, noted al Qaeda usually does not take responsibility for attacks.

Spain's government still believes ETA is more likely responsible, a senior official in President Aznar's office said. But after police found a van with seven detonators and an Arabic-language tape parked near where the stricken trains originated, Spain's Interior Minister said security forces were not ruling out "any line of investigation." (AP)

ETA: THE USUAL SUSPECTS
Spanish authorities initially blamed ETA, the Basque separatist group, for the bombings.

→ **History:** ETA was founded in the 1950s by Basque college students as a movement to force the government to grant independence to the prosperous Basque region in northern Spain.

→ **Modus operandi:** ETA has claimed responsibility for more than 800 deaths since 1968, but nearly all those came in assassinations or small-scale attacks.

→ **Warning?** Police stopped a van 80 miles southeast of Madrid a couple of weeks ago and found half a ton of bomb-making materials. Two alleged ETA members were arrested. (AP)



Outside the Atocha railway station in the heart of Madrid, a paramedic helps a man injured in one of the explosions. The blasts killed at least 192 people.

Numb horror: Spaniards recount the worst terrorist attack to hit their country — what many are calling their September 11 | Today's Post: Section A

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World

Jamaica to Host Haiti's Ex-Leader

Aristide will return to Caribbean; U.S. troops carry out weapons raid

PORT-AU-PRINCE, HAITI | Haiti's new prime minister began work on building a government Thursday, as the nation's ousted president announced plans to return to the Caribbean from exile in Africa.

Earlier Thursday, U.S. Marines raided a house near the presidential palace in their first action of a new mission to disarm Haiti's many factions. The search produced no weapons, but military officials were satisfied the raid sent a clear message to the country's armed factions.

"The message out of this is, we are looking, and we will continue to do so," Col. Charles Gurganus said.

Former President Jean-Bertrand Aristide is in the Central African Republic, but he and his wife will fly to Jamaica, just 130 miles from Haiti, for a temporary stay early next week, Jamaican Prime Minister P.J. Patterson said Thursday. There they will be reunited with their two young daughters, who were sent to New York before Aristide left Haiti on Feb. 29.

Patterson said Aristide wasn't seeking asylum in Jamaica, but was finalizing plans for "permanent residence outside of the region."

Meanwhile, Gerard Latortue, the new prime minister, met with interim President Boniface Alexandre to begin choosing a Cabinet. Latortue, a U.N. career officer and businessman, said disarmament, reconciliation and elections are his priorities. (AP)

PAKISTAN | WICKET DIPLOMACY



WARMING UP: Indian cricketers, in blue, congratulate Pakistan's team, which won their warm-up match in Lahore on Thursday. India's team is on its first full tour of Pakistan in more than 14 years. It is hoped the series can boost efforts by the two countries to normalize relations after decades of hostility.



BY THE NUMBERS: The 300 or so ticket-holders for Thursday's opening cricket match between India and Pakistan were overwhelmed by the deployment of 2,600 police at Gaddafi Stadium — nearly a 9-to-1 ratio. India and Pakistan have often carried their bitter political and military rivalry into the sporting arena, leading to frequent disruptions of high-profile cricket tours. (AP)

Supporters Foil Bid to Impeach S. Korean Leader

SEOUL | Rival lawmakers cursed and shoved one another early Friday as they fought for the parliamentary speaker's podium in a clash over South Korea's first-ever presidential impeachment bill.

The scuffle erupted when 20 opposition legislators tried to remove lawmakers loyal to President Roh Moo-hyun who occupied the speaker's podium overnight to block a vote on impeachment. Roh's supporters successfully defended the seat during the 20-minute fracas.

If the National Assembly fails to act on the bill by Friday evening, the bill automatically dies.

Opposition parties want Roh to apologize for breaking election laws when he called for "overwhelming support" for the Uri Party, which he plans to join, in April 15 parliamentary elections. HANS GREIMEL (AP)

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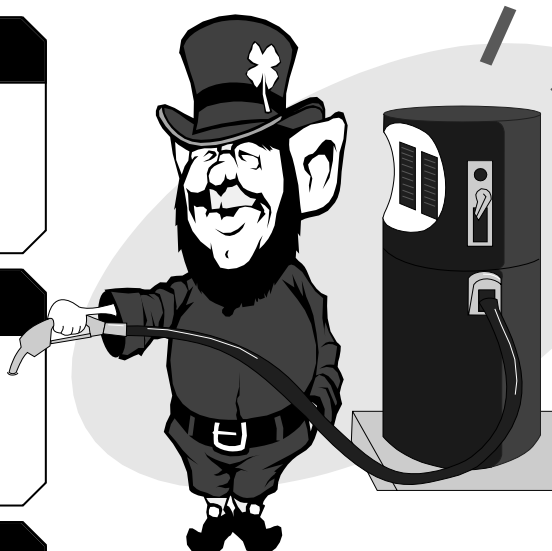


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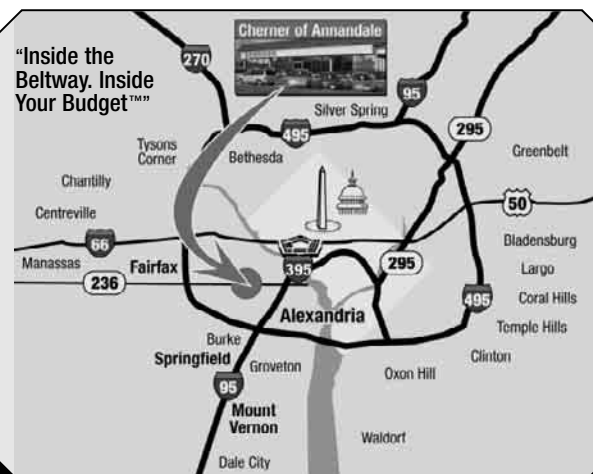
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Commuter Tax Suit Thrown Out

WASHINGTON | A lawsuit seeking to give the District of Columbia the right to impose a commuter tax was dismissed Thursday by a federal judge.

"While the court is sympathetic to the plaintiffs' arguments and fully appreciates the manifest inequity created by the District's inability to tax commuters, the court lacks the power to grant the remedy that plaintiffs seek," U.S. District Court Judge Ellen Segal Huvelle wrote in her 42-page opinion.

Mayor Anthony A. Williams and the D.C. Council were among the 32 plaintiffs who sued the federal government to overturn a federal law banning the city from taxing the estimated 500,000 people who work in the city but live elsewhere.

Proponents of a commuter tax contend it would raise about \$1 billion annually. Virginia and Maryland joined with the federal government in opposing the suit. (AP)

FBI Accuses Md. Woman of Spying

Former congressional worker faces charges of aiding Iraqi intelligence

NEW YORK | A former reporter and one-time press secretary for four members of Congress was arrested Thursday on charges she served as a paid agent for the Iraqi intelligence service before and after the U.S. invasion last year.

Susan Lindauer, 41, was taken into custody in her hometown of Takoma Park, Md., and made a brief court appearance in Baltimore, where lawyers argued over whether she should be granted bail.

"I'm an anti-war activist and I'm innocent," Lindauer told WBAL-TV outside the Baltimore FBI office. "I did more to stop terrorism in this country than anybody else."

She was charged with conspiring to act as an unregistered agent of the Iraqi Intelligence Service and with engaging in prohibited financial transactions with the Iraqi government. The indictment makes no mention of her congressional staff work. She was not directly charged with espionage.

She could get up to 10 years in prison on the most serious charge.

The indictment said she accepted \$10,000 for working for the intelligence service from 1999 to 2002, including payments for lodging at the Al-Rashid Hotel in Baghdad and expenses during meetings in New York City with Iraqi agents.

The indictment did not specify a motive. LARRY NEUMEISTER (AP)



Lindauer

The Lotteries

March 11

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Mid-day Lucky Numbers	7-5-0 (white)
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Mid-day DC 4	3-5-1-3
Evening DC 4	1-3-2-7
Quick Cash	11-36-13-18-38-4
Hot Five	33-25-30-17-22

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Evening Pick 3	6-6-6
Mid-day Pick 4	9-6-9-8
Evening Pick 4	0-9-8-5
Match 5	4-18-20-30-37 Bonus: 26
Lotto (Wed.)	5-13-15-18-26-30

VIRGINIA

Mid-day Pick 3 (Thurs.)	5-1-6
Evening Pick 3 (Wed.)	5-5-9
Mid-day Pick 4 (Thurs.)	0-3-4-3
Evening Pick 4 (Wed.)	0-4-6-1
Mid-day Cash 5 (Thurs.)	6-10-11-14-23
Evening Cash 5 (Wed.)	13-20-21-22-34
Lotto South (Wed.)	1-7-9-16-17-43

MULTI-STATE GAMES

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BALTIMORE | COMBING THE WATER



SEARCH CONTINUES: Divers and recovery workers look for three bodies missing since Saturday's water taxi accident in Baltimore's Inner Harbor. Three objects found on Thursday were ruled out as human remains.

Metro Aims to Have Cashless Parking

WASHINGTON | By the end of June, parking at Metro stations may be by SmarTrip cards only. Metro's Budget Committee gave preliminary approval Thursday to move toward a cashless system at its lots and garages.

It comes after an audit found Metro may have lost up to \$1 million a year to alleged theft by parking lot cashiers.

Under the plan, which faces final board approval March 18, contract-

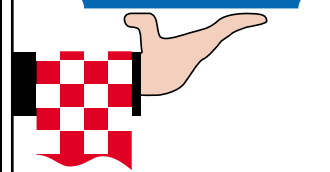
ed assistants would staff parking facilities to help drivers and provide maintenance reports, but they would not handle any money.

Metro officials figure parking revenues will increase by \$2.5 million dollars a year, while ending the contract with Penn Parking — which provides the cashiers — will save the cash-strapped transit agency \$2.8 million a year. Officials estimate it will cost \$4.1 million to operate the new system. (AP)

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Money

Terror Fears Send Markets Tumbling

Dow loses 170 points in largest 4-day drop since October 2002

NEW YORK | Edgy investors sent stocks skidding Thursday as a string of bombings in Madrid overshadowed mostly good economic news and bullish forecasts from several companies. The Dow nosedived nearly 170 points, giving blue chips their biggest four-day drop in nearly 18 months. The Dow sank 168.51, or 1.6 percent, to 10,128.38, leaving it down 3.1 percent for the year. So far this week, the Dow has lost 467.17. The broader market also fell sharply. Nasdaq lost 20.26, or 1 percent, to 1,943.89, leaving it down nearly 3 percent for the year.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index slumped 17.11, or 1.5 percent, to 1,106.78, down 0.5 percent for 2004. The possible link between al Qaeda and the blasts reawakened fears of terrorism on Wall Street. The attacks further rattled investors who already had been selling for three weeks amid uncertainty about the job market and the strength of the economic recovery. In a hopeful sign before the market opened, the Commerce Department reported a 0.6 percent rise in sales at the nation's retailers in February, matching economists' expectations. Also, Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan told a congressional committee Thursday he remains confident employment will increase as the economic recovery continues. MEG RICHARDS (AP)

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
BarryRG h	2.67	+.47	+21.4
CollAik	5.73	+.72	+14.4
Ducommun	24.20	+2.75	+12.8
Quiksilver s	21.95	+1.68	+8.3
Microfnc h	3.32	+.22	+7.1

Losers

LeapFrog	19.60	-6.40	-24.6
MetrisCos	5.05	-.65	-11.4
NortelNw	6.37	-.51	-7.4
SmedvA	9.60	-.75	-7.2
TempurP n	15.30	-1.09	-6.7

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
FstShsBc n	14.49	+3.99	+38.0
Delcath	2.75	+.62	+29.1
M-Wave	2.03	+.43	+26.9
AMS	19.18	+3.76	+24.4
Phazar	7.20	+1.31	+22.2

Losers

TriknTch	3.89	-1.46	-27.3
EuroTech s	3.40	-.82	-19.5
Conolog	2.42	-.55	-18.5
JPS Ind	3.02	-.68	-18.4
CwlthBio	7.05	-1.47	-17.3

Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	4.00	4.00
Fed Funds close	1.00	1.00
3-month	0.93	0.95
2-year	1.45	1.70
10-year	3.69	4.02
30-year	4.66	4.88

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.5527	.5536	.6228
Canadian Dollar	1.3205	1.3227	1.4739
European Euro	.8116	.8165	.9065
Japanese Yen	110.89	110.71	117.18
Mexican Peso	10.9510	10.9710	10.8921
Taiwanese Dollar	33.20	33.37	34.61

DOW	NASDAQ	S&P 500
-168.51	-20.26	-17.11
-1.64	-1.03	-1.52
10128.38	1943.89	1106.78

Pharmacy Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
Allergan	86.28	-1.54	+12.3
AstraZen	48.26	-1.09	-.2
BarrPhm	75.75	+1.85	-1.6
BrMySq	25.58	-.49	-10.6
ForestLab	72.80	-1.22	+17.8
IvaxCp	22.52	-.48	-5.7
JohnJn	51.11	-.66	-1.1
LillyEli	69.17	-1.32	-1.6
Merck	44.99	-1.16	-2.6
Mylan s	22.93	-.07	-9.2
Pfizer	35.24	-1.13	-.3
SchergPI	16.84	-.54	-3.2
ShirePh	29.22	-.98	+.6
WatsnPh	44.32	-.33	-3.7
Wyeth	37.58	-.89	-11.5

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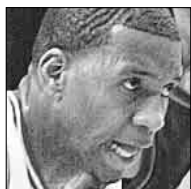
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SportsWeekend

Target Practice

Maryland Terrapins take aim at first ACC tournament title in 19 years

COLLEGE BASKETBALL | Maryland's youngest basketball team in a decade experienced a dizzying sway of emotions as it strived to extend the school's record run of consecutive NCAA tournament appearances to 11.

Having apparently reached that goal, the Terrapins' task this week is to end an embarrassing streak that has festered over 19 seasons.

The last time Maryland won the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament was in 1984, when sophomore forward Len Bias helped coach Lefty Driesell cut down the nets at the Greensboro Coliseum.

Since then, the Terps have reached the finals only once, falling to Duke 81-68 in 2000. The quest to end the drought begins Friday night against Wake Forest in Greensboro, N.C. As the sixth-seeded team, Maryland (16-11, 7-9) is a decided long shot to advance to Sunday's finale.

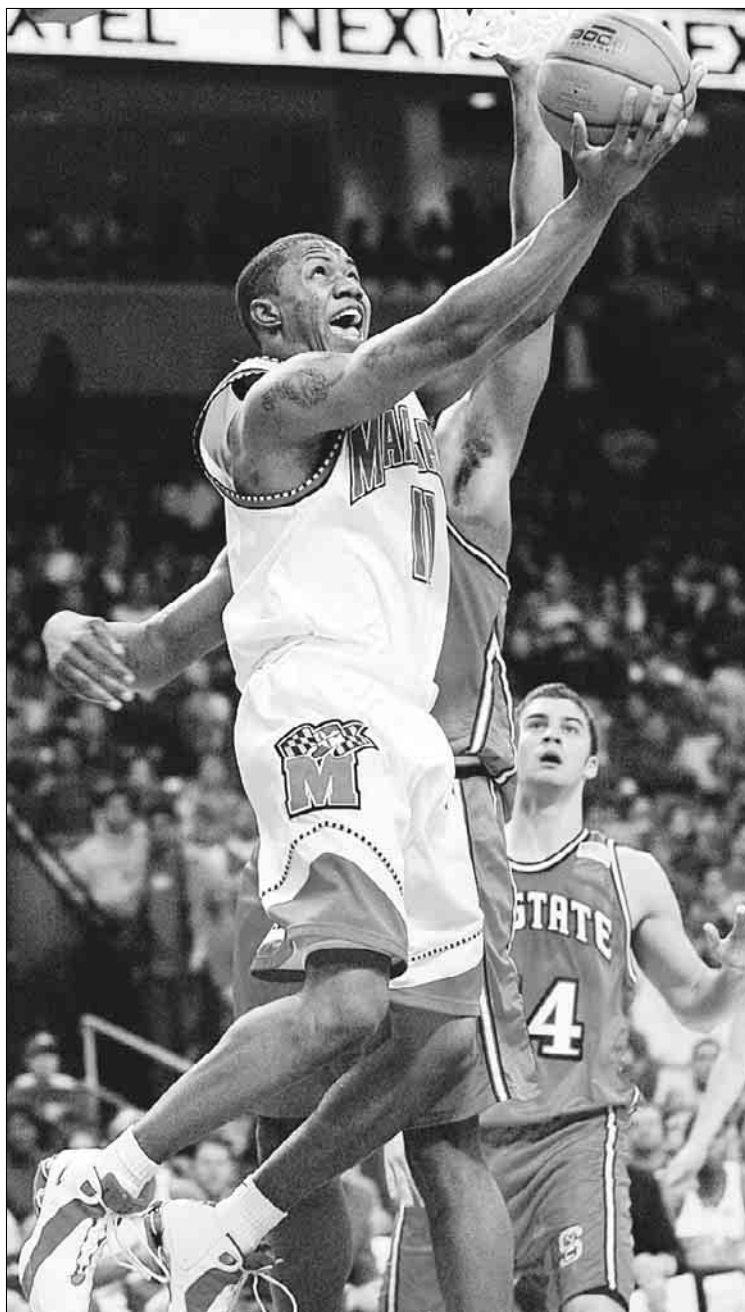
So what else is new?

"I'd like to win it; we haven't had success down there," said Terrapins coach Gary Williams, 11-13 in the ACC tournament. "At the same time, here's a chance to play Wake Forest. This is a good game for us."

If nothing else, the experience will provide a team with one senior, four sophomores and five freshmen the chance to play in a situation where there are no second chances. One loss and you're out — just like the NCAA tournament.

"It's very important right now," Williams said. "We have a chance to play some really good teams and get ready for postseason play."

The Terrapins should earn an invite to the NCAA tournament



FLYING HIGH: Maryland's John Gilchrist is a major reason why many feel the Terrapins have already secured an at-large spot in the NCAA tournament.

regardless of how they fare this weekend. But their intention isn't just to show up, savor the experience and get home in time for the selection show on Sunday night.

After completing a grueling four-month stretch with uplifting victories over North Carolina State and Virginia, the Terrapins proved they can thrive under pressure. Now they hope to ride that momentum into the postseason.

"We know we got a good team, but we let a couple of games slip from us. We put ourselves in that situation," guard Chris McCray said. "Now we just have to keep winning. We've just got to come into the ACC tournament and try to win there."



—MARYLAND COACH GARY WILLIAMS
TRYING TO SNAP A 19-YEAR DROUGHT FOR
THE TERPS IN THE ACC TOURNAMENT.

"I'd like to win it; we haven't had much success down there."

Maryland's checkered past at the tournament, as well as the up-and-down season this young team has thus far endured, is irrelevant.

"Everybody has the same record, and it doesn't matter what the rankings are anymore. We're just going to try and start all over and get wins," freshman guard D.J. Strawberry said. "This is exactly why I came here, to play in big games. We're going to be playing for championships now." DAVID GINSBURG (AP)

Big Dance: The Post's Matt Rennie and Matt Bonesteel discuss NCAA hoops | washingtonpost.com/liveonline at noon

TV Lineup

→ **MADNESS:** March Madness gets under way with several tournament championships this weekend. Among the leagues awarding titles are the Big East (8 p.m. Saturday on ESPN), the ACC (1 p.m. Sunday on ABC), the SEC (1 p.m. on CBS), the Big 12 (3 p.m. Sunday on ESPN) and the Big Ten (3:30 p.m. Sunday on CBS).



Justin Leonard's resume includes one win at the Honda Classic in Florida.

→ **TEE TIME:** Justin Leonard tries to repeat as champion of the Honda Classic, which concludes on Sunday (3 p.m. on NBC).

→ **WIZARDS GAMES:** Washington tries to break its slump at Atlanta (7:30 p.m. Friday on NewsChannel 8) and then hosts Boston (7 p.m. on Comcast).

→ **CAPITALS ACTION:** The Washington Capitals host Chicago (7 p.m. Friday on Comcast) and then head on the road to face Atlanta (7 p.m. Saturday on WB50).

→ **CHAMPIONSHIP FIGHT:** "Sugar" Shane Mosley, the WBA and WBC champion, and IBF champion Ronald Wright square off for the undisputed welterweight championship in Las Vegas (9:30 p.m. Saturday on HBO).



Mosley

→ **PIT STOP:** Matt Kenseth can earn his third victory of the early NASCAR season during the Golden Corral 500 in Hampton, Ga. (1 p.m. Sunday on Fox).

→ **SELECTION SUNDAY:** The fields of the NCAA men's tournament (6 p.m. on CBS) and NCAA women's tournament (5 p.m. on ESPN) are revealed.

BASEBALL | Cursed The New York Mets' Karim Garcia had a bad Tuesday. It began with a visit from police and turned downright bizarre, all because of a homer and a Hummer. Accused of roughing up a local pizza deliveryman, Garcia and fellow Met Shane Spencer spent part of the day giving statements to police. (No



charges will be filed against the pair, police said.) Once Garcia finished, he took batting practice — and sent a drive over the right-field fence that struck a man on the head. The man somehow remained on his feet, and was treated by paramedics. Soon after that, Jose Reyes hit a liner that broke a window of Garcia's SUV. (AP)

Sports**Weekend**

The Return Of the King

Webber puts scandal, injury aside to focus on playing basketball

PRO BASKETBALL | A grainy photo Chris Webber keeps in his locker shows him dunking and scowling with as much menace as a Detroit teenager can muster.

He put the photo there about a year ago, primarily for comedy's sake — his legs are splayed to a ridiculous width — but it's also a reminder of good times for Webber, who gained national attention as a member of the "Fab 5" recruiting class at the University of Michigan.

The five-time All-Star returned to the Sacramento Kings' lineup last week for the first time since May, when he injured his left knee during a playoff game. The 10 months that followed were a nightmare of rehab and legal problems, leaving him in a sort of depression that's only just begun to lift.

"You just want to be in a dungeon," Webber said. "You want to be by yourself and work it out. When you can't do anything, you feel like, what am I here for? That's why I'm just grateful for this — grateful to be back and just thinking about winning."

When Webber returned to the Kings' active roster, the NBA suspended him for eight games. A suspension was expected after he pleaded guilty to lying to a grand jury about his relationship with University of Michigan booster Ed Martin — but Webber got an extra ban for violating the league's drug policy.

Before failing that drug test, Webber had been a model citizen, participating in numerous charity ventures in Sacramento.

Webber, who was traded by the Washington Bullets to Sacramento five years ago, is now back in uniform. But it will be a while before he's back to top form. His season debut — 26 points and 12 rebounds in a March 2 victory over the Clippers

ROYAL ENTRANCE:

Webber scored 26 points in his first game back.



MICHAEL CONROY/AP

THE GOOD, BAD AND UGLY
Chris Webber has experienced a series of highs and lows since gaining fame as a Fab 5 member:

- **MICHIGAN** reached back-to-back Final Fours with Webber.
- **AN ILLEGAL TIME-OUT** called by Webber ensured North Carolina would beat Michigan for the NCAA title in 1993.
- **THE NO. 1 PICK IN THE DRAFT**, Webber was selected as the NBA's 1994 Rookie of the Year.
- **A TRADE** in 1994 sent Webber to Washington, where he led the Bullets to the playoffs in 1997.
- **IN 1998**, Washington traded Webber to Sacramento.
- **FIVE TIMES**, Webber has been in the All-Star Game.

— was shockingly successful. But the Western Conference-leading Kings (47-16) are taking it slow with Webber, resting him for the second game of back-to-back nights and limiting his playing time.

"But there's only so much you can do to slow down Chris," Kings coach Rick Adelman said. "He's used to being the best player on the court, and he'll get back there soon." GREG BEACHAM (AP)

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SportsWeekend



ACTION: Jimmie Johnson, left, and Dale Earnhardt Jr. talk while crews shoot a scene for "NASCAR 3D," which opens Friday.

NASCAR in 3D

Imax movie captures experience on racetrack

FILM | Sitting next to Jeff Gordon during a qualifying lap. Taking a turn at Bristol Motor Speedway on Ryan Newman's back bumper at speeds reaching more than 130 mph. Watching from inside the headquarters of Dale Earnhardt Inc. as machinists sculpt car bodies and engine fabricators tighten every nut and bolt.

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The only thing missing is the smell of burning rubber and a cold beer.

"One of the main goals of doing this project was to appeal to new potential fans and be able to take NASCAR and explain the whole sport to someone who has never experienced it," said Paul Brooks, NASCAR's senior vice president and president of NASCAR Digital Entertainment.

"NASCAR 3D: The Imax Experience," which opens Friday, is

also a primer on the history of stock car racing, its stars and what has gone into making it a multibillion-dollar sport.

The movie was filmed last year over several months and at several racetracks.

To do that, Roush Racing built a car to hold the nearly 300-pound Imax camera and enable it to shoot from six different positions, capturing the driver's point of view.

"It's as close to being there without being there," director Simon Wincer said. JENNIFER C. YATES (AP)

The National Air and Space Museum's Udvar-Hazy Center, 14390 Air and Space Museum Parkway, Chantilly, Va; \$8 for adults, \$6.50 for kids and seniors; 202-357-2700.

Xavier Ends St. Joseph's Perfect Run

COLLEGE BASKETBALL | From perfect to pummeled.

Saint Joseph's first game as the nation's No. 1 team also was its first loss of the season, a shocking 87-67 collapse against unranked Xavier in the Atlantic-10 quarterfinals Thursday.

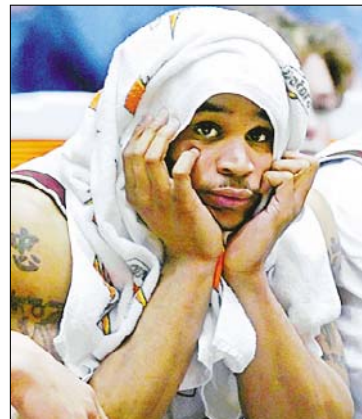
The Hawks came in with a 27-0 record, three victories from becoming the first team since 1991 to enter the NCAA tournament undefeated. But they trailed Xavier by as many as 37 points, and the upset raises questions about how serious a contender the tiny Philadelphia

school will be for the national championship.

The rout also could cost Saint Joseph's a top seeding in the NCAAAs.

Playing less than an hour from its campus, Xavier will face George Washington — a 79-50 winner over Rhode Island — in the semifinals Friday night. RUSTY MILLER (AP)

BRACKETS: Monday's edition of Express will feature the NCAA men's tournament pairings and Tuesday's edition will include the NCAA women's tournament listings.



St. Joseph's Jameer Nelson watches as the Hawks' 27-0 streak is stopped.

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SportsWeekend

NHL Benches Bertuzzi For Season After Punch

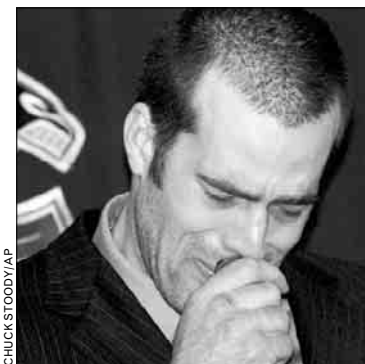
PRO HOCKEY | Todd Bertuzzi's season is over, suspended Thursday by an NHL intent on sending the message that it won't tolerate premeditated attacks on the ice.

The Vancouver Canucks' All-Star forward will lose at least \$500,000 in salary and could miss more time next season for the vicious punch that sent Colorado's Steve Moore to the hospital with a broken neck, concussion and other injuries.

The Canucks were fined \$250,000 for the attack, which is being investigated by police.

Moore, lost for the season, has deep cuts on his face and two broken vertebrae, but his spinal cord was not injured. He is in stable condition in a Vancouver hospital.

Bertuzzi would miss a minimum 17 games this year if the Canucks



Todd Bertuzzi issued a tearful apology on Wednesday for punching Steve Moore.

make the playoffs and are swept in a four-game first-round series.

The previous record suspension was 23 games, for Boston's Marty McSorley in February 2000, and Tampa Bay's Gordie Dwyer in September 2000. JOHN WAWROW (AP)

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	W	L	PCT.	GB	LIO CONF.
New Jersey	39	24	.619	—	6-4 27-10
New York	29	36	.446	11	3-7 22-17
Boston	29	37	.439	11.5	6-4 19-24
Miami	28	37	.431	12	5-5 18-21
Philadelphia	27	38	.415	13	4-6 20-22
Washington	20	43	.317	19	4-6 13-29
Orlando	19	48	.284	22	4-6 15-30

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT.	GB	LIO CONF.
X-Indiana	48	16	.750	—	9-1 30-10
Detroit	42	25	.627	7.5	8-2 27-15
New Orleans	34	30	.531	14	4-6 25-20
Milwaukee	34	30	.531	14	6-4 27-16
Cleveland	29	36	.446	19.5	8-2 23-20
Toronto	27	38	.415	21.5	2-8 17-25
Atlanta	20	44	.313	28	2-8 12-28
Chicago	18	46	.281	30	2-8 15-23

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST	W	L	PCT.	GB	LIO CONF.
Minnesota	45	20	.692	—	5-5 22-14
San Antonio	43	22	.662	2	7-3 24-14
Dallas	40	23	.635	4	7-3 25-16
Memphis	40	24	.625	4.5	8-2 25-16
Houston	37	26	.587	7	6-4 16-20
Denver	34	32	.515	11.5	2-8 21-18
Utah	33	32	.508	12	7-3 20-20

PACIFIC	W	L	PCT.	GB	LIO CONF.
Sacramento	47	16	.746	—	8-2 26-13
L.A. Lakers	42	22	.656	5.5	7-3 21-17
Portland	31	33	.484	16.5	5-5 16-25
Seattle	27	37	.422	20.5	2-8 17-23
L.A. Clippers	26	38	.406	21.5	2-8 12-25
Golden State	25	38	.397	22	2-8 16-25
Phoenix	21	43	.328	26.5	3-7 12-27

Standings through March 10.

X-Clinched playoff berth.

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NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

SOUTHEAST	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Y-Tampa Bay	40	17	8	5	93	209	159
Florida	24	29	14	3	65	152	182
Atlanta	27	33	7	3	64	186	214
Carolina	22	30	13	4	61	133	171
Washington	21	39	8	2	52	159	213

ATLANTIC	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Philadelphia	36	17	12	6	90	204	162
New Jersey	35	21	11	2	83	170	140
N.Y. Islanders	30	25	10	4	74	192	180
N.Y. Rangers	25	33	7	5	62	182	207
Pittsburgh	16	44	6	4	42	154	267

NORTHEAST	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Toronto	38	20	9	3	88	203	157
Ottawa	37	18	9	5	88	230	152
Boston	33	16	14	7	87	178	159
Montreal	37	26	6	2	82	184	162
Buffalo	31	31	6	1	69	182	187

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Detroit	39	17	10	2	90	214	153
Nashville	33	26	8	2	76	182	184
St. Louis	32	26	9	2	75	161	171
Columbus	20	37	8	4	52	147	200
Chicago	18	35	9	6	51	158	206

NORTHWEST	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
Colorado	36	17	12	5	89	211	167
Vancouver	36	21	9	4	85	200	168
Calgary	34	26	6	3	77	168	153
Edmonton	28	27	12	3	71	185	180
Minnesota	22	26	20	2	66	150	157

PACIFIC	W	L	T	OL	PTS.	GF	GA
San Jose	33	19	11	6	83	176	153
Dallas	35	23	11	0	81	160	149
Los Angeles	27	19	16	7	77	181	178
Anaheim	25	28	9	8	67	157	180
Phoenix	20	29	16	5	61	172	211

Standings through March 10.
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Drafty 'Window'

Two fine actors fail to save this derivative Stephen King yarn

FILM | Johnny Depp and John Turturro can elevate almost any movie, and they do lift the psychological thriller "Secret Window" a bit above the morass of horror clichés that riddle this latest Stephen King adaptation.

The movie begins with promising moodiness as director and screenwriter David Koepp quickly establishes the scenario: Successful author Mort Rainey (Depp) catches his wife (Maria Bello) in bed with her lover (Timothy Hutton). Six months later, Mort's a basket case with writer's block, alone with his dog at a cabin in the woods, unable



JOHNNY, BEHIND YOU! The seasoned horror-flick fan will see the twists coming.

even to put pen to paper and sign the couple's divorce settlement.

A booming knock on his door awakens Mort from one of his day-long snoozes on the couch. At the door is John Shooter (Turturro), a

bullying redneck who accuses Mort of plagiarizing his story.

Mort angrily dismisses Shooter, who leaves behind his tattered manuscript. Unsettled by the similarities between Shooter's tale and a story

he published years earlier, Mort tumbles into a nightmare of escalating terror as his tormentor moves from threats to ugly deeds.

Koepp, who directed "Stir of Echoes" and wrote "Panic Room," has a flair for capturing fidgety characters in claustrophobic spaces. With "Secret Window," Koepp again wrings solid dramatic punch out of comparatively limited character interplay.

Depp's left alone prowling and ranting much of the time, and he admirably turns his comic jitteriness from last year's "Pirates of the Caribbean" toward alarmingly spastic hysteria here. Turturro brings creepy intensity to Shooter's confrontations with Mort.

The problem is that "Secret Window" borrows so heavily from conventions in any number of old fright flicks. The movie is laden with recycled elements from King's own stories, and unless you're a virgin viewer of horror tales, you'll likely see the plot twists coming a long way off. DAVID GERMAIN (AP)

TWO THUMBS UP?

Or 10 toes? Get the verdict on the latest film releases in today's *Washington Post*.

Father to the Man:

Omar Sharif plays a Muslim shopkeeper who forges a connection with a French Jewish petty thief. Michael O'Sullivan reviews "Monsieur Ibrahim." | *Weekend*



Sharif

Dark Deeds: A harsh allegory of greed, innocence, loyalty and comeuppance in a bleak Chinese coal mine. Ann Hornaday reviews "Blind Shaft." | *Style*

Going Nowhere: This slapdash sequel showcases fresh-faced young stars but lacks imagination. Dan Via reviews "Agent Cody Banks 2: Destination London." | *Weekend*

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SHADOWY MACHINE: Val Kilmer plays an ultra-efficient government operative who stumbles on a seedy underworld tacitly endorsed by his own administration.

'Spartan': Stingy With Suspense

**David Mamet's study
of corrupted power
is all macho bluster**

FILM | When action talks louder than "Mamet-speak," the world of David Mamet is a much less intriguing place.

His characters still talk tough in "Spartan," a bleak, cynical thriller about a clandestine operative (Val Kilmer) going rogue to rescue the U.S. president's abducted daughter, whom no one in the administration seems to give a hoot about.

Yet the action of "Spartan" is so choppy, the transitions so abrupt, and the pacing so deadeningly unvarying, the movie musters little suspense. Kilmer and his cast mates seem programmed like robots, running thither, barking orders and firing bullets in a series of obtuse plot convolutions that undermine the covert military authenticity Mamet strives for.

The writer-director largely leaves his usual-suspects repertory of performers behind, with only regulars William H. Macy, Ed O'Neill and Clark Gregg along for the ride, all in small roles with little dimension.

"Spartan" is purely Kilmer's story, the tale of career military man

Robert Scott accustomed to handling the most bloodthirsty tasks. When he's called in on the kidnapping of the president's college-age problem child Laura Newton (Kristen Bell), Scott dispassionately lays waste to any obstacles in his path, with no regard to his victims' guilt or innocence.

The hunt abruptly ends with news that Laura drowned in a sailing accident. The nation mourns and Scott heads home with a shrug.

But Scott's acolyte Curtis (Derek Luke) has doubts, based on a couple of clues Mamet clumsily injects.

Soon, Scott also is convinced, determining his commanders would rather sacrifice Laura to conceal unsavory presidential secrets that led to her disappearance.

The verbal exchanges are so repetitive, they become almost a spoof of Mamet-speak — a harsh, skewed, slangy style of talking without necessarily communicating.

One of the few parleys that truly resonates comes as a character explains to Scott how a king of ancient Sparta would stingily send a single soldier when a neighboring ally requested military aid.

Sounds like a more interesting story than "Spartan."

DAVID GERMAIN (AP)

Sunday in The Washington Post



How Did We Get Here?

Janne E. Nolan reviews Hans Blix's "Disarming Iraq" as part of a special package, "The Road to War: Iraq." | *Book World*

Fish Story:

Between mad cows and flu-ridden chickens, fish is starting to look better than ever. How to eyeball the freshest finny finds. | *Sunday Source*

Bright Young Things:

Blake Gopnik makes the pilgrimage to the Whitney Biennial, the sprawling survey of contemporary American art. | *Arts*

Alley Out, Design Doc In at Pier 1

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JAMIE STENGEL (AP)



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AGAINST THE ROPES (PG-13, 111 minutes)

This formulaic boxing picture, based on the life of female boxing manager Jackie Kallen (spunky Meg Ryan), hits all the predictable marks. Naturally, Kallen has to overcome sexism and the underdog status of her chief fighter (Omar Epps) to achieve the kind of victory we have been conditioned to expect from this sort of thing. They don't make many boxing movies about losers. (MO)

BROKEN LIZARD'S CLUB DREAD (R, 103 minutes) Even by its own low-ball standards, this falls short. The five-man comedy troupe Broken Lizard opts for graphic gags instead of actual comedy. The troupe's 2001 "Super Troopers" had its moments, but here no one—including the usual Broken Lizard gang as well as "real" actors Bill Paxton and Brittany Daniel—is the slightest bit motivated to work the humor. (PT)

DIRTY DANCING: HAVANA NIGHTS (PG-13, 87 minutes) Doesn't begin to live up to the giddy energy, romance and terrific dancing of its progenitor. Indeed, the best thing about it is an incandescent but all-too-brief appearance by original "Dirty Dancing" star

Patrick Swayze himself. (AH)

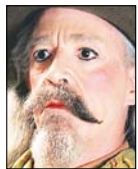
EUROTRIP (R, 92 minutes) The producers of this mediocre movie let bathroom humor, lewd scenarios and gratuitous nudity color their European landscape. The film promotes the stereotype of the gawking, ignorant American tourists who invade Europe every summer without regard to the people or their cultures. (SARAH GEBHARDT)

HIDALGO (PG-13, 145 minutes) Viggo Mortensen isn't quite enough to make this epic oater about a Pony Express rider who bests a cutthroat field of competitors in a 3,000-mile horse race across the Saudi Arabian desert feel like much more than NASCAR with hooves. Despite the sandstorms, locusts, wild-

cats and presence of J.K. Simmons's Buffalo Bill Cody, "Hidalgo" is a long and monotonous circuit around a well-worn track on a voyage of inner discovery. But it leaves the audience exactly where it started, only 10 dollars poorer. (MO)

KITCHEN STORIES (unrated, 91 minutes) The gentle humor in Norwegian director Bent Hamer's little comedy about the friendship between a Swedish efficiency expert (Tomas Norstrom) and a Norwegian bachelor (Joachim Calmeyer) is as dry as kindling. But, like kindling, it is capable of creating both warmth and light when it finally ignites, as it does once the awkwardness between the two men thaws and their essential need for connection sparks. (MO)

STARSKY & HUTCH (PG-13, 97 minutes) It's being billed as an action com-



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EVERYONE LOVES A MIME: Stiller and Wilson cut up as "Starsky & Hutch."

edy, but this is really a romantic comedy starring one of contemporary cinema's most appealing screen couples, Ben Stiller and Owen Wilson. They have developed hilarious buddy schticks, all the more successful for being so easygoing and unforced. "S&H" is as breezy and inoffensive a pop-culture romp as they come—a perfect example of a really good not-great movie. (AH)

TWISTED (R, 96 minutes) Ashley Judd has become the go-to girl when you're casting your sleek psychological crime thriller. She's slumming again in this nasty, formulaic and unforgivably obvious procedural that involves her ex-boyfriends turning up dead. The whole thing crashes into an improbable, occasionally risible and, well, twisted heap. (AH)

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Television

ON TV THIS WEEKEND

CURL UP AND DISH
Women share secrets in a Georgia salon on the one-hour special **AMERICAN BEAUTY SHOP** (Fri., 8 p.m., Discovery).

HE'S DA BOMB
Ricky Gervais guest stars as a bomb expert on **ALIAS** (Sun., 9 p.m., ABC).

TRY SPINNING G.W.
Jeff Goldblum, Gervais Anthony LaPaglia and Liev Schreiber star in **SPINNING BORIS** (Sat., 8p.m., Showtime) as cynical political operatives hired by shadowy syndicate figures to run Russian president Boris Yeltsin's 1996 election campaign. This slice of recent history may not be for everyone, but the principals are terrific, particularly in scenes with Yeltsin's hard-to-please daughter (Svetlana Efremova).



THE JAMES CARVILLE STORY
Fans of classic exploitation movies should sink their teeth into **SNAKEHEAD TERROR** (Sat., 9 p.m., Sci-Fi). This horror hoot concerns a bucolic Maryland lake resort town where angry snakehead fish are growing to freakish proportions, eating the locals and slithering onto dry land in search of prey.

Bruce Boxleitner plays the concerned sheriff who tries to close the lake over the protests of a tourist-minded mayor. (Have you ever noticed how the characters in "Jaws"-inspired movies never seem to have seen "Jaws"?) Fortunately, he has a voluptuous biologist (Carol Alt) on his side. Together, they discover that a local scientist has been dumping human growth hormones into the lake to make the fish bigger!

GOOD ENOUGH FOR MEATLOAF
Three new shows premiere Friday night, and they're not all dismal. To quote the poet Meatloaf, "two out of three ain't bad."

PLAYING IT STRAIGHT (Fri., 8 p.m., Fox) would not make Meatloaf's cut. This "romantic" contrivance asks a beauty to look for love among 14 men. Some of them are gay. Can she tell? Do we care? Just say no.

TOUCHING EVIL (Fri., 9 p.m., USA) may remind some of USA's hit series "Monk." Like Tony Shalhoub's character, "Evil"'s David Creegan (Jeffrey Donovan) is a defective detective who lives and works in San Francisco.

Some years back, Creegan took a bullet to the head. After years of rehab and a stint in a mental institution, he's back on the force, gifted with great empathy and intuition.

But the same accident that endowed him with special perceptions robbed him of adult inhibitions. He pretty much acts on impulse. If that means taking off his shirt in a department store or singing loudly on a passenger plane, so be it.

If you can imagine "Joan of Arcadia"



YOU MUST BE LION: Dhavernas talks to the animals in Fox's new "Wonderfalls."

turbocharged with a whole new Fox attitude it might be **WONDERFALLS** (Fri., 9 p.m., Fox), a decidedly offbeat supernatural drama about Jaye Tyler (Caroline Dhavernas), a slacker who receives cryptic messages from inanimate objects and can't decide whether she's blessed or insane. "Wonderfalls" is charming

when it doesn't bog down in over-analytical dialogue.

WHEN MOMS GO BAD
Kirstie Alley stars in the made-for-television drama **FAMILY SINS** (Sun., 9 p.m., CBS). She portrays Brenda Geck, a lauded foster mother and homemaker who hides a criminal conspiracy behind her gingham curtains. Her neighbors are shocked to discover that Geck has turned her brood into an army of shoplifters. Like the most sordid and weird TV movies, "Family" is based on real events.

CULT CHOICE
Beautiful East Coast talents (with hair by Kenneth) crash and burn in Hollywood's snake pit of adultery, booze and dope in the 1967 potboiler **VALLEY OF THE DOLLS** (Fri., 8 p.m., Fox Movie Channel), starring Patty Duke, Sharon Tate, Barbara Parkins and Susan Hayward. A movie this ridiculous deserves repeated viewings. Once is not enough. KEVIN McDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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	BET	106 & Park: BET's Top 10 Live		★★★½ "Malcolm X" (1992) Denzel Washington, Spike Lee, Spike Lee's portrait of the late civil rights advocate.								Music	
	Bravo	Celebrity Poker Showdown		Inside the Actors Studio		Queer Eye for Straight Guy		★★ "The Myth of Fingerprints" (1997) 'R'		★★★½ "Being John Malkovich" (1999) 'R'			
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	Discovery	Monster Garage		Monster House		American Beauty Shop (N)		American Chopper		American Hot Rod (N)		American Beauty Shop	
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	Disney	Kim Possible		Kim Possible		★★★½ "Toy Story 2" (1999)		Kim Possible		(:15) ★★★½ "Toy Story 2" (1999) Voices of Tom Hanks.			
	E!	101 Reasons the '90s Ruled		E! News (N)		Love Chain		101 Reasons the '90s Ruled		101 Reasons the '90s Ruled		Howard Stern	
	FX	Married...		Cops		Cops		★★ "Double Impact" (1991) Jean-Claude Van Damme.		Cops		Cops	
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MOVIES	Family	Full House		Full House		7th Heaven "Says Who?"		"I Want to Marry Ryan Banks" (2004) Jason Priestley.		Whose Line?		Whose Line?	
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	Lifetime	The Nanny		Designing		Golden Girls		Golden Girls		"Vanished Without a Trace" (1999) Shelley Long, (DVS)		Merge	
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	TLC	Trading Spaces: Family		Trading Spaces: Family		While You Were Out		While You Were Out (N)		What Not to Wear "Crissa"		While You Were Out	
	TNT	Charmed		Law & Order "Hunters"		Law & Order		Law & Order		★★★ "Men in Black" (1997) Tommy Lee Jones. Premiere.		★★★ "Men in Black" (1997) Tommy Lee Jones.	
	USA	Walker, Texas Ranger		Law & Order		Law & Order		Touching Evil "Pilot" (Series Premiere) (N)		Touching Evil "Pilot" (Series Premiere) (N)		Touching Evil "Pilot" (Series Premiere) (N)	
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	MSNBC	The Abrams Report (Live)		Hardball (Live)		Countdown-Olbermann		Deborah Norville Tonight		Scarborough Country (Live)		Hardball	
	AMC	(4:30) ★★★★★ "Patton" (1970) George C. Scott. 'PG'				★★ "Halloween 4: The Return of Michael Myers" (1988)				(9:55) ★★½ "Army of Darkness" (1992) Bruce Campbell.			
MOVIES	TCM	★★★ "John Loves Mary" (1949) Ronald Reagan. 'NR'				★★★ "Yours, Mine and Ours" (1968) Lucille Ball. 'NR'				★★★½ "The Sugarland Express" (1974) Goldie Hawn.			
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	MAX	(5:20) "The Banger Sisters"		★★ "Men in Black II" (2002) 'PG-13'		★★½ "Juwanna Mann" (2002) 'PG-13'		★★ "National Security" (2003) 'PG-13'				Real Time	
	SHO	(5:45) ★★½ "Dead Heat" (2002) 'R'		★★★ "Windtalkers" (2002, Action) Nicolas Cage. iTV. (N)				Dead Like Me (iTV) (N)		Family Biz		Family Biz	
	TMC	Beverly-Ninja		"Partners" (2000) Casper Van Dien. (N)		★★★★ "Hannah and Her Sisters" (1986) Mia Farrow.		★★★ "Threesome" (1994) (N) 'R'		Original			
	STARZ!	(5:35) "Stealing Harvard"		(05) ★★½ "Possession" (2002) Gwyneth Paltrow.		★★ "Sweet Home Alabama" (2002) Reese Witherspoon.		★★½ "A Man Apart" (2003)					
	ENCORE	(5:40) ★★ "Sling Blade" (1996) Billy Bob Thornton. 'R'		★★ "Snow Dogs" (2002) Cuba Gooding Jr. (N) 'PG'				★★ "Regarding Henry" (1991) Harrison Ford. (N) 'PG-13'					

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CHANTILLY—Rm for rent, \$360, shr kit & BA, catv/utlis incl, F n/sm only, pls call 703-968-7043, lv msg

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SATURN—'98 SL1 SW, brown, 110K mi, pl, auto, a/c, MD insp, extra clean. \$3500. 301-440-1624

TOYOTA—'01 Sienna, silver, V6 auto., 7-pass. sunrf., lthr, running bds, CD chgr, cass., lug rk, low 31K mi., exc. cond. \$19,900/OBO. 301-627-4030

BOATS

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SYLVAN PONTOON—'01 24', 50hp, trlr, cabin encl, head galley unit, loaded, \$14K. 540-786-0407

Home & Shopping



Shopping List | Open Season

Chic-sa Appeal

The Georgetown boutique brigade marches on with the addition of **URBAN CHIC** (1626 Wisconsin Ave. NW; 202-338-5398; www.urbanchic-dc.com). The space is a festival of soothing blond wood and artfully stacked jeans, including Paper Denim and the celebrated butt-flattering James Jeans. Pink — pleated, draped, ruched, seersucker, cableknit and tube-topped — is in pleasing abundance. Hotly selling since the store's Feb. 20th opening: T-shirts and tanks from Rabbi's Daughters (\$35) emblazoned with Yiddish words like "Meshuggenah," "Yenta," and "Bubeleh." HOLLY J. MORRIS (EXPRESS)



Steal her job: Meet Gail Rauch, a mystery shopper. She gets paid to cruise clothing racks, eat out at restaurants and visit spas. In The Washington Post, Sunday Source.

WATCH THIS SPACE

Express wants to hear about the decorating and organizational feats that let you live large in a small space. E-mail or snail mail a photo of your idea in practice along with a brief description and your contact info to: Home Editor (home@readexpress.com), P.O. Box 17370, Arlington, VA 22216. If we choose to feature your idea, we'll contact you for more information.



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People

LOVE FESTS

And Lo! Her Tears Watered The Soil and Flowers Grew

CHARLIZE THERON wept Thursday when former President **NELSON MANDELA** praised her for putting South Africa on the map. “I love you so much,” the actress cried at the Nelson Mandela Foundation in Johannesburg. Theron, who won a best-actress Oscar for “Monster,” grew up in the small South African town of Benoni. “Even those who were ignorant of South Africa, having seen her, they must know now that there is a country like South Africa,” said Mandela. (AP)



DENIS FARRELL/AP

“God, I can’t believe you thought those were my real teeth in ‘Monster,’ Nelson.”

BRIDES

Feminism Is Complicated

After being together six years and raising four children, there was never any doubt **KELLI CARPENTER O'DONNELL** would take Rosie O'Donnell's last name, Rosie's wife tells Barbara Walters in an interview airing tonight on ABC's

REALITY

Omarosa Shut Out Again

Four of the women on “The Apprentice” were approached by Playboy and offered \$250,000 each



take my husband's last name.' And I said, 'That's so funny, because I do want to take Ro's last name.'” (AP)

“20/20.” “It was my Christmas gift to Ro two years ago,” she said. “My sister who's married was like, ‘I don't want to take my husband's last name.’ And I said, ‘That's so funny, because I do want to take Ro's last name.’” (AP)

to pose nude, reported the New York Post on Thursday. Fired candidate **EREKA VETRINI** told the paper that she, Amy Henry, Kristi Frank and Katrina Campins turned down

LIBERALS

Fair and Balanced Radio

Comedians **AL FRANKEN** and Janeane Garafalo are launching a liberal radio network that promises to be an alternative to powerhouse pundits like Rush Limbaugh. The backers of Air America Radio said Wednesday they planned to launch the net-

work on March 31 in New York, Los Angeles, Chicago and San Francisco. “To their credit, the right wing has captured radio,” said Franken. “We're going after them, and we're going after them hard.” (AP)



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THINGS

Star He Are

Audrey Geisel, widow of children's book author **THEODOR SEUSS GEISEL**, was joined by scary costumed semblances of The Cat in the Hat, Thing 1 and Thing 2 at the dedication of Dr. Seuss's posthumous star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame on Thursday. The ceremony honored Seuss for his 100th birthday (March 2) and the DVD release of “The Cat in the Hat.” He died in 1991. (AP)



REED SAXON/AP



FIONA HANSON/AP

“Oh Vivienne, I do adore your buskins.” “Cherie, your pumps are simply divine.”

LOVE FESTS

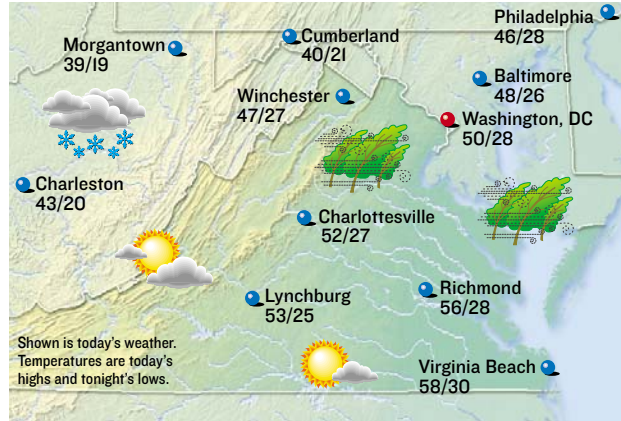
Former Prime Ministers and Tarty Teen Singers, Unite!

Former Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, lawyer (and wife of Prime Minister Tony Blair) **CHERIE BOOTH**, author J.K. Rowling and model Kate Moss were among 180 high-flying women who were honored by Queen Elizabeth II at a lunch on Thursday, the first all-women event of its kind at Buckingham Palace. Random other celebrities included teenage singer Charlotte Church and designer **VIVIENNE WESTWOOD**. (AP)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

Today	Tonight	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Partly sunny and very windy 50°	Becoming clear; windy and colder 28°	Sunny with less wind 52° / 34°	Increasingly cloudy, milder 56° / 41°	Windy, mild; rain and a t-storm 58° / 38°	Partly sunny 58° / 38°

Regional Weather



Almanac

Washington, D.C., through 4 p.m. Thur.
Temperature
High 56°
Low 32°
Normal high 54°
Normal low 36°
Average humidity 44%
Precipitation
24 hours ending 4 p.m. 0.00"
Month to date 1.26"
Normal month to date 1.28"
Year to date 4.89"
Last year to date 10.10"
Normal year to date 7.23"

Regional Forecast

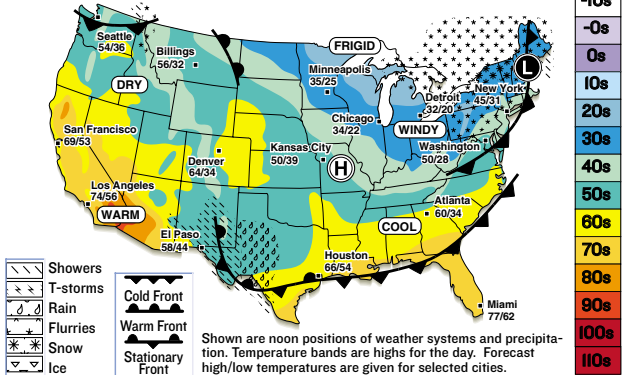
D.C. Metro: Today, partly sunny, very windy, chilly, a passing shower. High 50. Wind west to northwest 20-40 mph; gusts to 50 mph.

Sun and Moon

Sunrise today 6:24 a.m.
Sunset tonight 6:12 p.m.
Moonrise today none
Moonset today 9:38 a.m.



National Weather for Friday, March 12



National Cities

City	Today	Sat.
Atlanta	60/34/s	63/46/s
Boston	44/29/r	42/26/s
Chicago	34/22/s	46/35/sh
Dallas	57/48/sh	59/52/t
Denver	64/34/s	50/17/c
Honolulu	83/72/sh	81/72/sh
Los Angeles	74/56/c	74/56/c
Miami	77/62/s	80/69/s
New York City	45/31/r	46/32/s
Orlando	78/52/s	78/58/s
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Dublin	48/37/sh	48/34/sh
Geneva	49/44/c	48/36/r
Moscow	32/20/c	35/21/c
Rome	56/45/pc	63/49/pc
Sydney	73/59/t	79/57/s
Tokyo	53/40/c	52/39/pc

Letters

TO THE EDITOR

IN THURSDAY'S LIVE ONLINE excerpt, Dr. Arthur Frank said he has no doubt that obesity is a disease and by stating that, he only adds to the problem. By classifying obesity as a disease, it takes away from personal responsibility and adds to our culture of victimhood.

Sure, there are brain signals that let you know you're hungry, but you don't have a Big Mac receptor in your brain. Healthy eating and exercise are the only way to combat obesity.

The solution will not come from a pill or accepting that you're a victim, and people must make the time to exercise. I suggest that one can begin by walking up the escalators on the Metro.

—STEVEN CORAN
Gaithersburg, Md.

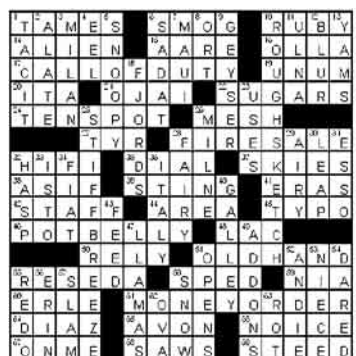
AN ARTICLE AND PICTURE in Tuesday's EyeOpeners depicted a person dressed as Mahatma Gandhi. The name was misspelled as "Ghandi" instead of "Gandhi." In the Hindi language, the word "ghandi" means "dirty." It's unfortunate that a paper of this caliber can't correctly spell the name of such a great leader.

—RAM KRISHNAN
via e-mail

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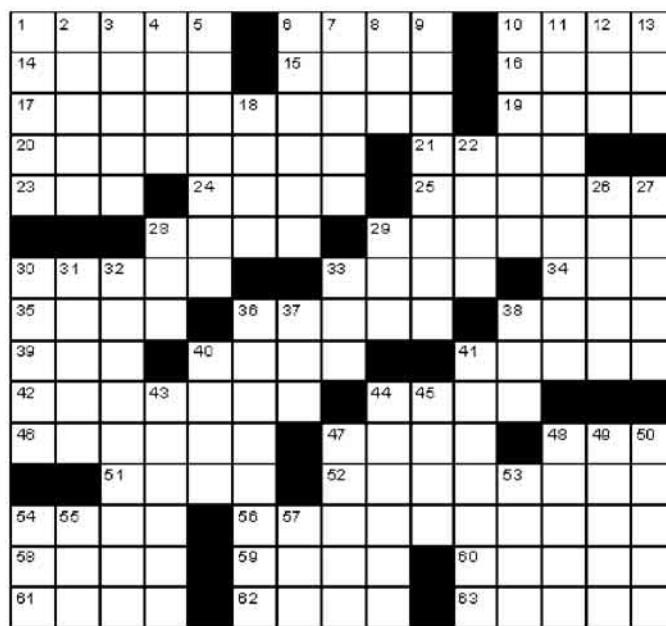
Yesterday's Solution



Crossword Puzzle: Fruity | Edited by Timothy E. Parker

ACROSS

- 1 "It cost ____ and a leg"
6 Track and field activity
10 Egg holders (Abbr.)
14 Gambling mecca near Hong Kong
15 "Look here, old chap!"
16 One and only
17 It could cause a pain in the neck
19 Pinnacle
20 Scatter, as a mob
21 Kind of sheet used in school
23 Dig it
24 Shakespearean king
25 Badger
28 Picnic side dish
29 All gone, as food
30 Provoke interest
33 Word on Irish currency
34 Sun Devils' home, for short
35 Jack-in-the-pulpit plant
36 Earth's crust bound by faults
38 Wood blemish
39 Noted architect I.M.
40 Cartoon skunk Le Pew
41 Riveted seat covers?
42 Captivate
44 "So ____ say"



- 46 Gather in, as leaves
47 City in SE Austria
48 A train?
51 1977 Cy Young Award winner Sparky
52 So long, in Paris
54 Kin of op. cit.
56 "Maybellene" singer
58 Baby's word
59 Flaw in the system
60 Poet Jong
61 Fly, to a spider
62 Parts of a match
63 Football parts
DOWN
1 Author of "The Violent Land" Jorge
2 Low point
3 ____ in point
4 Parking garage

- feature
5 German white wine
6 Lumberyard fixture
7 According to
8 Baseball great Ripken, Jr.
9 Where "E" is a line
10 Actress Bloom
11 Head honcho
1 Mobile-Cleveland dir.
13 Item on a driver's license
18 Kind of rug or code
22 RPM, for one
26 Sarandon of Hollywood
27 San Antonio hoopsters
28 Bottom-line figure
29 Sue Grafton's "____ for Evidence"
30 Word with doll, clip or bag
31 "The Faerie Queene" character
32 Plaster ingredient
33 Before, to Shakespeare
36 Browbeats
37 Choose
38 Anthem author
40 Super-human Bunyan
41 Bette Davis title role
43 The best of times
44 Overland haulers
45 Command to a listener
47 Too thin
48 Kind of acid
49 Enchantress who turned men into swine
50 ____ a bone
53 "Alice" waitress
54 Young troublemaker
55 Chocolate unit
57 Depart in haste

The Duplex | Glenn McCoy



Horoscope | Stella Wilder

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — Lend a hand to someone who is trying to finish up a special project and you may find yourself on the receiving end of something equally special.
ARIES (March 21-April 19) — It may be difficult for you to figure out a new professional policy. Don't rock the boat.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — You're in desperate need of something that allows you to exercise your creative muscles. A financial sacrifice may be required. Plan carefully.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — You may be driving yourself too hard, risking exhaustion and illness. Take the time to enjoy some relaxation and introspection.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — You are following in someone else's footsteps, but what you really need is to cut loose and try doing something completely original.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Your focus may be blurred. Make sure you're headed in the right direction before you make judgments about pacing. Let things be.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — You're impressing those around you with your ability to do things, but something is on the horizon that may threaten your confidence.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Diversify and you'll find that success can come to you from all different corners. Don't limit yourself to what you already know.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — A cancellation of sorts needn't affect you as dramatically as you think. Be willing to roll with the punches a bit more than usual.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — You may feel that you've been playing this round of catch-up for far too long. Still, there are details to be watched — closely.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — While you wait for someone to come through for you, why not use the time to your advantage? You can surge ahead of the competition.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — You may receive a criticism from someone who has an unusual perspective. This is something you may actually want to listen to carefully.

LIVE ONLINE

On the Tube

From washingtonpost.com/liveonline

Post TV columnist **LISA DE MORAES** was online Thursday to discuss the latest from the small screen.

It was written that the staff of "Everybody Loves Raymond" would like to keep the show going so long as they can keep it fresh. "The Simpsons" staff seems to be able to figure out how to keep a show strong. What's their secret? (Maybe the "Raymond" people will read it and keep their show going.)

The secret of "The Simpsons" is that the writing staff churns and the stars are cartoon characters who never make \$2 million per episode, keeping the costs down. That is the key to a successful series.

They should animate "Raymond" and find someone who can imitate his voice at a fraction of the cost, and then all of their problems would be solved.

I saw an ad last night for a new reality show on Fox called "The Swan." I had the TV on mute, but it looked like they give contestants makeovers, including plastic surgery, and then have them compete in a beauty pageant. Is this for real?

Yes, it is for real, whatever that means. They are going to take a bunch of "unattractive" women, perform major plastic surgery, etc., on them and have them compete in a beauty pageant to determine which gets crowned "The Swan."

It's absolutely brilliant in its Frankenstein-ish hideousness.

Am I mistaken or have shows like "NYPD Blue" been subject to bleeping since the Super Bowl?

Not aware of "NYPD Blue" bleeping but they did "darken" a sex scene so that you could not see what was going on, in the wake of the whole Janet Jackson thing. There have been many incidents written about in the past few weeks in which series have been nipped and tucked in response to the JJ incident.

Today on Live Online

NOON: Post Reliable Source columnist Richard Leiby dishes the dirt.

1 P.M.: Post columnist John Kelly discusses his new daily column about life in the D.C. area.

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